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HOUSE AGREES TO MOST OF ITEMS IN UNPAID BILLS

The Hackfeld Wharf Appropriations Is Inserted by Large Vote.

It was economy that caused the House to talk most of the afternoon, and for the rest of the time, according to the open charge of one of the members it was personal prejudice that caused the remainder of the time to be wasted. In fact Chester Doyle will have to add several hundreds to his estimate of his value to Hawaii, for that much is represented by the time spent in discussing his fitness for the position of translator of Japanese.

The unpaid bills measure was advanced materially, in committee of the whole, but there were several items which were still in the hands of a committee and consequently there could be no definite settlement, so the bill was simply laid over for the reports, which are to come in today, if the forecast is correct. During the morning the matter of the Hackfeld wharf was closed by the insertion of the item in the bill, and the covering up of the affair. The amounts due school teachers, some 39 in number, and to the tax office, for the expenses of the levy and the tax appeal courts, were inserted.

The afternoon session was devoted to the six months salary bill, the principal point of interest developed being the antipathy of the members to appropriating money for the payment of salaries to women. It was the idea of all that spoke, that there should be in the bill a provision that all salaries in the bill should be paid only to citizens, voters and tax payers.

In the Senate the six months current account appropriation bill, with a large number of amendments, the principal of which was an item of \$50,000 for the dredging of the harbor. There was an abortive attempt to recall the House expense bill, so that that of the Senate might be incorporated, but it was found that the House had passed the bill and this dropped to the ground.

IN THE HOUSE.

After the journal was in shape the House received from Dr. Rodgers of the office of the Education bureau, a communication which set forth a list of some forty teachers who were left short in their pay under the readjustment of salaries. Their cases being similar to that of E. de Harne, whose claim for \$100 was recognized in the appropriation bill.

Pulaa presented the petition of Mrs. Kamakahi for \$200 for land damages, caused by the opening of the Honokaa landing road.

H. Hackfeld & Co. submitted a communication saying that as the wharf item in the unpaid bills measure seemed to be misunderstood, the firm would be pleased to have any member of the House or any committee, to inspect its books and the vouchers therefor, at any time.

FAVOR AMARA CLAIM.

The special committee which investigated the claim of Mrs. Kelki Amara, was divided upon the matter, four members reporting in favor of the recognition of the claim and the appropriation of \$750 in payment of the claim. The majority of the committee recites that the claim was sworn to at Wailua, Sep. 16, mailed there the next day and received here within three hours. It laid in the postoffice however until Sept. 27, or three days after the date for filing claims with the court, when Attorney Nakookoo went after and received it and immediately filed it.

The minority of the committee, Knudsen, opposed action on the grounds that it would be contrary to public policy to reopen the fire claims matter except by the creation of a court or a special enactment in regular session; an injustice to other claimants who stood the close scrutiny of that court and that it would open the door for many other claims.

QUESTION OF PROCEDURE.

Immediately there were motions to adopt each of the reports, and discussion began. Kumalae moved to increase the amount to \$1200 and argued long and loud. Speaker Beckley said he believed that there should be no such action as there was a question of legality of legislation on an appropriation bill, in his opinion it being necessary to have a law providing for such reimbursement of claimants. He said that while it was possible to put the claim into the bill, in his opinion the Governor and Attorney-General would be justified in vetoing and recommending veto, on the ground of illegality.

KUPHEA WANTS MORE MONEY. Kuphea presented a resolution calling for appropriations of various sums for the relief of claimants for damages from the sanitary fire and it took Speaker Beckley only a moment to rule it out of order, on the ground that specific grounds for damages were not set forth.

Kuphea again came to the center however with the following joint resolution:

Be it Resolved, by the Legislature, Territory of Hawaii, that the Fire Claims Commission appointed under the Act of the Legislature of 1901 be authorized to sit again in July, 1903, for considering all claims of damages from all persons who suffered loss by the great bubonic conflagration of January 20, 1900; and, further

Resolved, That the said Commission of Fire Claims be empowered to investigate and determine whose claim was not heard and adjudicated by the said

Commission during its session in 1901 and the said Commission shall act under the authority as provided by the Act of the Legislature of 1901.

Kaniho moved to refer to a special committee and the Speaker suggested the Judiciary Committee was the proper one. "With instructions to report in ten days," said the Speaker. "We can report on that in ten minutes," said Andrade. The House then indefinitely postponed the consideration of the bill.

EXPENSE BILL PASSED.

The \$7,000 expense bill for the House was then passed third reading, there being two negatives, Greenwell and Pulaa. Speaker Beckley called up the Senate expense appropriation, saying that the Senators were hungry and were on half rations, so the bill should pass. It did without a dissenting vote.

ON UNPAID BILLS.

Consideration of the Unpaid bills measure was resumed, the first item being that of \$5,000 to the Hawaii Mill Co. for road building. The committee recommended the passage of the item and the House agreed, though there were expressions of complaint that government officials and plantation managers should make such agreements and spend money. Vida saying that if the plantations wanted to run the country they should come and take the seats.

Paele moved to place the Amara claim in the bill, supporting his motion with a long argument. Kaniho making a similar argument. The committee refused to refer the item to the Attorney-General for an opinion and the item was then put in the bill as fire claim "J. Amara, \$750."

LAND COMMISSIONER'S TRIP.

Fernandez moved to reconsider the vote on the item of \$2,000 for expenses of the Land Commissioner at Washington, the chair ruling it out of order and Kumalae tried to get around the point by moving to reinstate the item, but again Harris ruled against the introduction, after which the committee rose and the House took a recess.

FOR HACKFELD WHARF.

The work was resumed on the bill after recess, the Hackfeld wharf item being called up. Paele wanted an opinion from the Attorney-General as to the right of the Territory to make the appropriation but the House would not so vote, the item being inserted in the bill by the following vote:

Ayes—Aylett, Chillingworth, Gandall, Greenwell, Haia, Harris, Kalama, Kaniho, Kellinot, Kou, Knudsen, Kumalae, Lewis, Nakaleka, Pali, Purdy, Vida, Wright, Beckley, 19.
Noes—Damiana, Fernandez, Keala-waa, Kuphea, Oili, Paele, Pulaa, 7.
The item, interest at 6 per cent for one year, \$6,288.25, was passed with the amount \$6,228.25.

TAX OFFICE AND TEACHERS.

Chillingworth moved to insert for the expenses of the tax office, \$3758.84, being for the expenses of tax appeal courts and blanks, which was done.

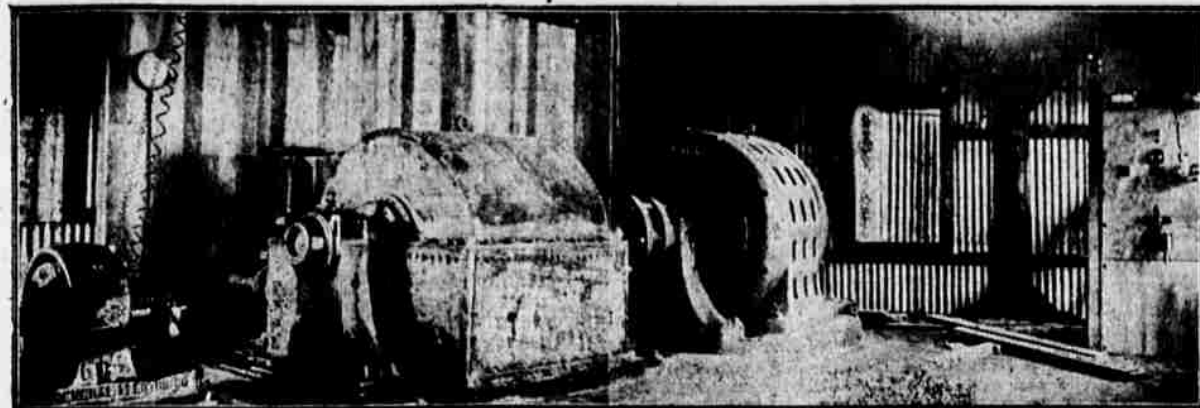
The balance on the high lift pump contract was not appropriated, consideration being deferred.

Chillingworth moved to insert the items for teachers, \$1183.50, as reported from the bureau of education, after striking out the de Harne item of \$100, the names of the teachers being listed.

Paele brought up the Amara fire claim item to have the wording made proper.

There were a number of items still in the hands of committees so that it

ELECTRIC POWER GENERATED BY WATER, USED AT PUMPS



POWER STATION MAUKA, SHOWING WATER WHEEL AND GENERATOR.

For the first time in sugar planting water is used to generate electricity before being turned upon the fields, the current in turn pumping from wells at points far removed from the mountain streams. The plant installed at the Pioneer Mill Company's plantation at Lahaina, by Grimwood, Richardson & Holloway, was started last week under the personal supervision of Mr. Richardson of the firm, and is working to the entire satisfaction of all interested. Mr. Richardson returned Saturday.

The electric power is generated by a water fall having a capacity of 4,000,000 gallons in twenty-four hours, under a pressure equivalent to a fall of 555 feet. This water is carried through one mile of 16 inch pipe and operates a 36 inch double nozzle Pelton water wheel which has, directly connected to its shaft, a 325 horse power General Electric Co. generator of 6600 volts. This electric current is carried a distance of five and one-half miles by three wires to one of the large pumping stations at Lahaina, where the voltage is reduced to 440 and is delivered to a 250 horse power electric motor.

This motor drives a three plunger Deane pump having plungers 18 inches in diameter and 24 inches stroke, the

was impossible to complete the measure and the committee rose and reported progress.

SALARY BILL CONSIDERED.

Senate bill No. 2, the six months' salary bill, was taken up. The permanent settlements passed without comment. Under the Secretary's office there came up a question of the number of clerks and there was a long discussion. The question of clerkships was one which drew out some caustic references to the employment of women in public offices. Vida suggested that the offices of assistant clerk and stenographer be combined at a salary of \$125 a month, saying that this would secure a competent man. Beckley said he would vote for all the items if assured that none but men would be employed.

AGAINST STENOGRAPHERS.

Kumalae said the heads of departments, before stenographers came here, did all their work and he thought the employment of stenographers a waste of public money. He urged reduction of the number of clerks. Chillingworth said that the Treasury department was working over time to pay the Chinese, and there should be sufficient clerks to do the work. There was a long discussion over the matter ending with the combination of the duties but the retention of the salary at \$600.

INTERPRETERS CAUSE TROUBLE.

Under the Judiciary department the first change was the correction of the salary of the clerk of the Judiciary department making the amount \$1,350 instead of \$2,350, as incorrectly printed. The pay of messengers was increased to \$360 each. In the First Circuit the salary of the clerk was retained at \$900, though an attempt was made to put it at \$1050. The salary of the stenographers was cut to \$900 each from \$1200. The Hawaiian interpreters were left at \$1800 but the Chinese Interpreter was cut to \$750. Over the Japanese Interpreter's salary there was a long fight, Harris maintaining that the best price should be provided so that a competent man be secured, and personal spite be not permitted to enter into the matter. Kellinot wanted \$750, Aylett \$600 and Fernandez \$450.

The Knockers' club held a session over Chester Doyle, there being a general cry from Fernandez, Kaniho and Kumalae that Doyle could not translate, only interpret, and so should have only half a salary.

Andrade defended Doyle, saying that Judge De Bolt had declared his work to be of the highest character, and asking if the House should not take care that the salary was not reduced so low that when the incumbent leaves a man friendly to members might get the place and they regret their action.

Kumalae argued at length but the committee rose and reported progress and asked leave to sit again, whereupon the House adjourned.

IN THE SENATE.

Secretary Carter notified the Senate

pump having a capacity of 10,000,000 gallons in twenty-four hours, against a total head of 110 feet. This plant alone saves the plantation about \$2200 per month as this water was formerly pumped by a steam engine. The total cost of the plant was about \$40,000.

It is the intention of the plantation to use the reserve water power which it has at this station, to operate another generator which will be directly

of the signing of the Emergency bill. Notice was received from the House of concurrence in the Senate amendments to the \$12,000 expense bill.

An invitation was received from Geo. W. De Long Post G. A. R. to attend the memorial service at Nuuanu Cemetery next Saturday. Upon motion of Senator Baldwin the invitation was accepted.

SIX MONTHS' BILL.

The six months' bill was taken up on third reading and passed unanimously.

Senator Isenberg moved to strike out the item of \$3,500 for new bridge at Lualaba as it is to be put in the loan bill. Carried.

Senator Wilcox secured the insertion of an item of \$1,400 for regrading road from Koloa to Waiala Gulch. On motion of Achi the item of incidental treasurer's office was increased from \$2,250 to \$6,250.

MONEY FOR DREDGING.

On motion of Senator McCandless an item of \$50,000 for dredging Honolulu harbor was inserted.

The item of \$3,500 for developing water at Kula, from Polipoli springs was increased to \$5,000 on motion of Baldwin. McCandless moved an amendment to charge water rates so that the government might derive some revenue. Baldwin said the water would simply be brought to government roads and there would be no taps for residences or private parties.

Senator Achi moved the insertion of an item of \$5,000 for developing water in Kailua, saying there were 700 Portuguese and Kanakas without water. Carried.

The item of \$1,000 for Lualaba water works was increased to \$2,000 on motion of Senator J. T. Brown.

HILO FIRE ALARMS.

The same senator secured the insertion of an item of \$2,500 for the installation of 19 Gamewell police boxes in Hilo. Achi's motion to do the same for Wailuku was not seconded.

Achi had the item of \$300 for wharf shed at Hoopuloa, Hawaii, increased to \$900.

Kaohi wanted the item of \$750 for road from Nahanoahae Hill to Keau-moku changed saying that the government had no right to build up a hill. Carried.

Senator Crabbe moved the insertion of an item of \$5,000 for subsidy Paradise of the Pacific, 5,000 copies to be delivered at the St. Louis fair and 750 copies a month to be sent to the libraries of the world. The item was made \$1,250 for the six months. Senator Dickey moved an amendment to give the Board of Public Institutions authority to complete all contracts made by the Territory, the appropriations for that purpose to be continued until January 1, 1905. Achi said the supervisors could finish all contracts and this showed a lack of trust in them. McCandless proposed that the

connected to the present wheel and the electricity will be used in providing power at the mill, for the pumps there. This will do away with the present steam pumps which are using about \$1500 worth of coal per month. This addition to the present station will cost approximately \$10,000.

The Pioneer Mill has finished grinding and the crop for this season amounts to 16,525 tons.

superintendent of public works carry out the contracts.

"My objection to that," said Dickey when the amendment was read, "is that it is very bad grammar."

Dickey's amendment was changed to permit the superintendent of public works to complete the contract, the work to be approved by the supervisors. This finally carried.

The bill passed with 14 ayes, C. Brown being absent.

Senator Paris moved a reconsideration of the vote upon House Bill No. 1, with a request that the bill be returned.

J. T. Brown said this could not be done; Paris quoted Rule 30 in support of the motion and the chair sustained him.

Brown contended that the motion might be proper if the bill had originated in the Senate.

Senator Paris said he intended to put the Senate expenses in the House bill as an amendment, but had since been informed that the House had passed the Senate bill. He withdrew the motion and the discussion was ended.

Senator J. T. Brown presented a request from Hilo residents for an appropriation to pay the expenses of the band to Hilo's Fourth of July celebration. Baldwin moved to refer to the miscellaneous committee. Achi wanted to reconsider the six months' bill and insert the item which was lost.

Motion to adjourn until to-day. Carried.

ADAM PETRIE PASSES AWAY

Adam Petrie died yesterday morning at his late residence at the age of 79 years. Mr. Petrie was formerly a contractor and was one of the best known master carpenters in Honolulu. He was born in Newcastle, Canada, and came to Honolulu in 1879 and resided here ever since. During this time he built many of the largest mill buildings for sugar plantations. For the past two years he has been unable to work.

He was a member of Morse Lodge No. 157, I. O. O. F., of San Francisco, and of Pacific Rebekah Lodge, I. O. O. F., of this city. Besides the widow he leaves two sons, Leslie Petrie, an engineer on the Oahu Railroad, and T. H. Petrie, of Castle & Cooke, and a daughter, Mrs. Alice Boyden.

The funeral will take place this afternoon at 2:30 from Harmony Hall. The pall-bearers are Messrs. Fritz Wilhelm, John Ouderkirk, E. C. Rowe, Charles H. Carter, Fred Turner, J. J. Carden.

The public offices will be closed Saturday because of Memorial Day. May 30th is made a holiday under a law passed at the last session.

WILL WORK FOR EXHIBIT

Appropriation for St. Louis Is Passed.

Now that the six months current account bill has passed both bodies and has only to go through conference and signature stages to become law, there is a general getting together of those interested in the proper advertising of the Territory at St. Louis, so that the plans finally decided upon will represent the best thought of those who have been connected with such affairs in the past.

The item of \$30,000 is in the list of the appropriations for the Public Works Department, and, unless Governor Dole appoints a commission to handle the funds, it will have to be done by an official who will be the personal representative of that department. The fact that the Legislature has cut out the provision for a building, promises to make the amount for a fine and ample exhibit, sufficient and complete. Superintendent Cooper said yesterday that in his opinion, while the item reads "exhibit," and there might be an interpretation which would permit the erection of a structure, there would be no inclination on his part to do other than is indicated as the desire of the legislators, to prepare the very best exhibit possible.

Governor Dole said yesterday that he had not given much thought to the matter other than to suggest that there should be made ample provision in the eighteen months' bill, for the work next year, when the heaviest expense will have to be incurred. As to the methods to be followed in the disposing of the work entailed by the appropriation, he said this would have the early attention of the government, and he thought that it would be commenced early in the coming fiscal year.

The members of the Exposition Association of Hawaii are of the opinion that they will be called upon to cooperate with the government and they are making plans for the carrying out of the work on a broad scale. It is probable that there will be something done very soon in regard to the preparation of plans for the carrying on of the work.

HAWAII GREET THE PRESIDENT

HONOLULU, May 6.—Governor Dole has appointed William G. Irwin of San Francisco the representative of the Territory of Hawaii to greet President Roosevelt on behalf of the people of the Territory and to renew the invitation of the Territory to the President to visit Hawaii.

The message printed above reached San Francisco by mail instead of cable, hence it has just transpired that the commission of Governor Dole to Mr. Irwin was executed by the latter in a very informal but hospitable manner at the luncheon given to President Roosevelt Tuesday at the Burlingame Club.

Mr. Irwin, in a brief address tendered to the President the good wishes of Governor Dole and the people of Hawaii generally and communicated their regret at his inability to extend his tour to include the islands. He also declared his wish to contribute by any means in his power, as the special representative of the Territory, to the success and pleasure of the President's visit to San Francisco.

The President's response, while entirely informal, as, indeed, were the whole proceedings, was most cordial and appreciative. He referred to the impossibility of making so long a tour as a matter of deepest regret to him and declared himself an interested student of Hawaiian conditions and questions. For Governor Dole's expression of kindly feelings he earnestly returned his thanks, both to the Governor and to the people of the whole Territory and he asked Mr. Irwin to convey to Governor Dole and the Hawaiians his best wishes and most cordial greetings.

Religious Work Among Koreans.

Rev. G. L. Pearson, presiding elder of the Methodist church, visited the Koreans at Waipahu, Wailua and Kahuku last week. He found among them one hundred and eight who professed to be Christians; all of whom were Methodists, members or probationers, except five. These he organized into classes, appointed leaders and arranged for Sunday services, for prayer and the study of the scriptures. He distributed many copies of the scriptures in the Korean language and conducted services at each place using a graduate of a Methodist college in Korea as an interpreter. Mr. Pearson will provide literature for these people and hopes to secure for them a Korean pastor. They seem quite content in their new home and are proving to be good laborers.